

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property Name: _____ Inventory Number ~~PG:74B-37~~ PG:74B-37

Address: 506 Crain Highway, SE, Prince George's County - in the vicinity of Bowie

Owner: Hall, Doris

Tax Parcel Number: 27 Tax Map Number: 77

Project MD 301 Agency State Highway Administration (SHA)

Site visit by SHA Staff: X no yes Name: _____ Date: _____

Eligibility recommended Eligibility **not** recommended X

Criteria A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G X None

Is property located within a historic district? X no yes Name of District: _____

Is district listed?: X no yes

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project Review and Compliance Files

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)

The barn located at 506 Crain Highway, SE, is an example of a Midwest three-portal barn. The barn is a variant of the transverse-frame barn, a design that was common throughout the Southern Maryland landscape. The barn, as its name suggests, has three entrances at the main elevation. The barn is constructed with vertical wood boards.

The three-portal barn was sometimes referred to as feeder barns because they were often used as housing for livestock. Its design, referring back to the transverse-frame barns that were abundant in this area of Prince George's County, was also suitable for the drying of tobacco. Prince George's County relied on its agricultural roots for its economic growth through the early half of the 20th century. The county's position as one of the largest tobacco growers in Maryland and the increasing diversification of the crops grown to be sent to the urban markets allowed for a family to be supported by agricultural means. This economic factor assisted in continuing the agricultural tradition and led to the construction of new farm complexes.

The barn was the principle building erected on a farm which provided space for cows, horses, equipment, and hay,

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Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

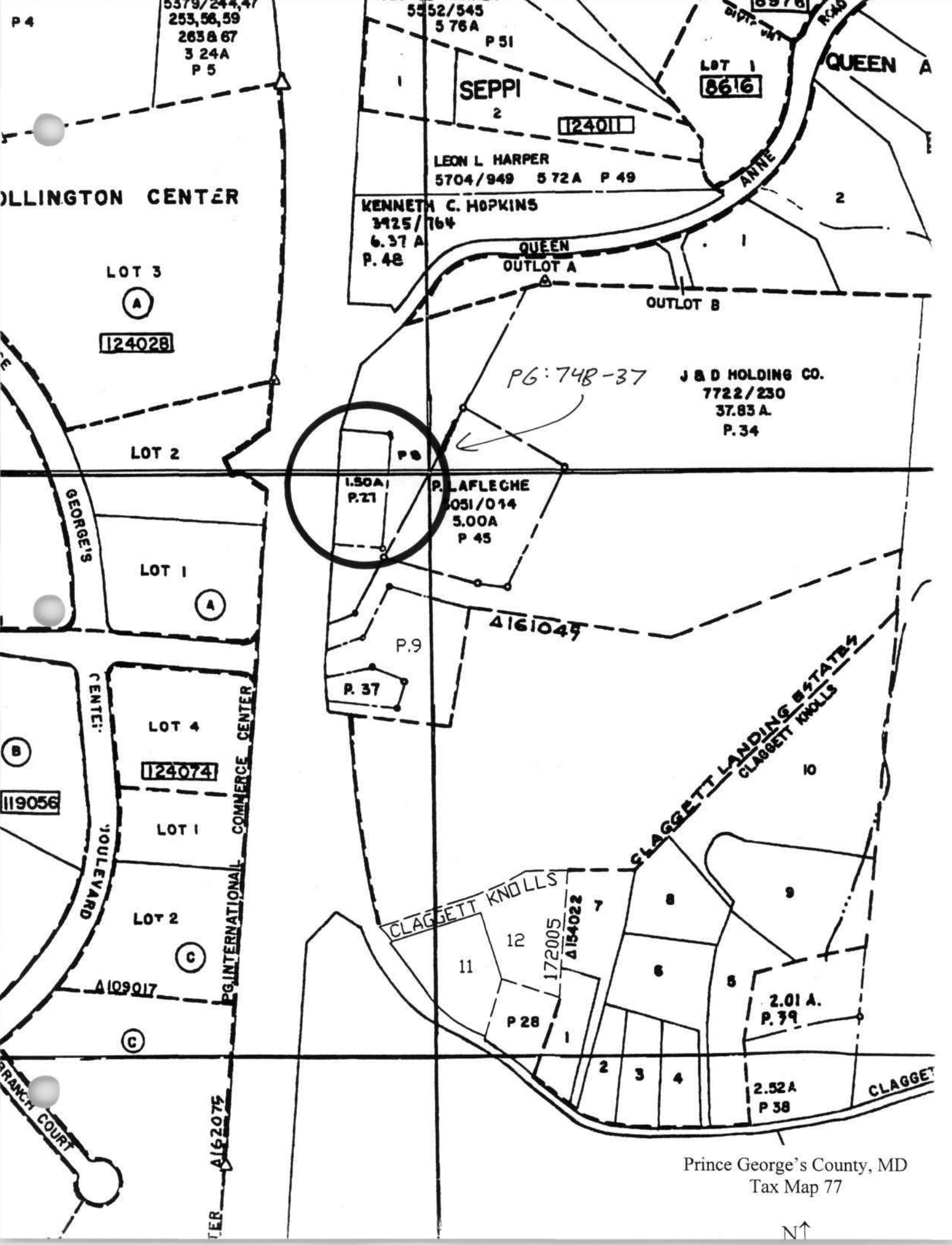
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straw or tobacco storage. Throughout the 19th century, barns increased in size or were newly built to include space for smaller animals, such as poultry and pigs, and as a place for the threshing and storage of grain. Their size also increased during the 19th century as the introduction of improved equipment led to more efficient and profitable operations, and, consequently, to increased need for storage facilities. Typically, livestock was housed on the lower level, while the upper level was reserved for the storage of hay and straw, and the threshing and storage of feed grains.

The c. 1920 barn and the farm complex are not eligible for the National Register. While typical of the agricultural complexes found throughout southern Maryland, the resources lack significance related to events, persons, or architecture. Criterion D, information potential, was not assessed for this study.



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Prince George's County, MD
Tax Map 77

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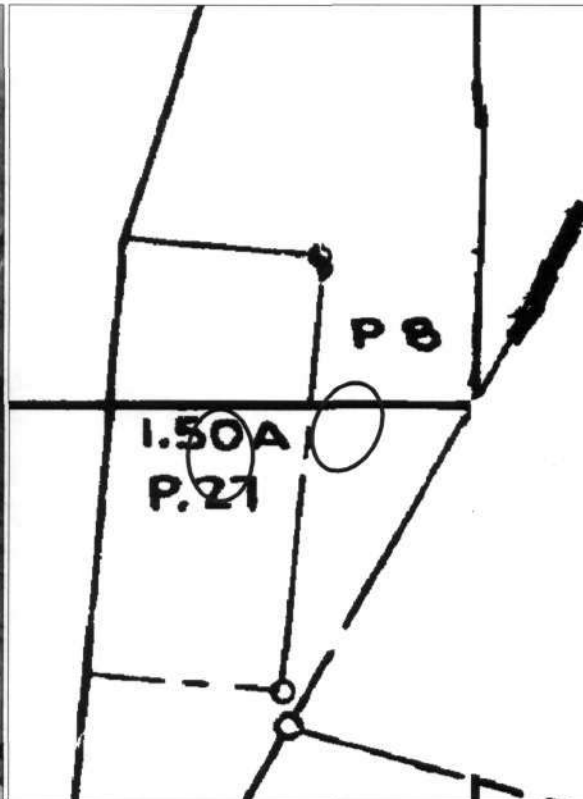
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Barn at 400 Crain Highway, SE (US 301) (Part of farmstead at 506 Crain Highway), Upper Marlboro
Bowie Quadrangle



National Web Map Service 6" Orthophoto Map,
c. 2007-08 with Maryland Planning parcels

Tax Map 77, parcels 8 (barn) and 27 (house)





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